



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
DEPARTMENT OF
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.T.E. 06-5

August 8, 2006

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company for approval of its: (1) annual retail rate filing and (2) distribution rate adjustment in compliance with Massachusetts Electric Company/Eastern Edison Company, D.T.E. 99-47 (2000).

On January 27, 2006, Massachusetts Electric Company ("MECo") and Nantucket Electric Company ("Nantucket") d/b/a National Grid (collectively, "MECo" or "Company") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") a rate reconciliation and adjustment filing pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4)(e). On February 28, 2006, the Department approved, subject to further investigation and reconciliation, an average base transmission charge of 0.871 cents per kilowatthour ("KWH") for MECo and Nantucket. Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.T.E. 06-5, at 10 (2006).

On August 1, 2006, the Company supplemented its earlier filing and proposed to increase its average base transmission charge to 1.199 cents per KWH for consumption on and after September 1, 2006. MECo states that this proposed increase results from an underestimation of reliability must run ("RMR") costs billed to MECo by the Independent Systems Operator-New England. The Company states that, without this adjustment, it will incur significant under-recoveries of transmission costs during 2006.

An average MECo residential customer who consumes 500 KWH of electricity per month will see their bill increase by an additional \$2.13 (or 2.8 percent). An average Nantucket residential customer who consumes 500 KWH of electricity per month will see their bill increase by an additional \$2.13 (or 2.5 percent).

Any persons wishing to submit written comments regarding this filing must submit comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Wednesday, August 16, 2006. The original and copies should be delivered to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. An original copy of the comments must be filed with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary; and two (2) copies with the hearing officer, John J. Geary; one (1) copy with Stephen Crowley, Analyst, Rates and Revenues Division; one (1) copy with Glenn Shippee, Analyst, Rates and Revenues Division; and one (1) copy with Sean Hanley, Assistant Director, Rates and Revenues Division. One copy of all written comments should also be sent to the Company's counsel, Amy G. Rabinowitz, 25 Research Drive, Westborough, Massachusetts, 01582-0099, and to each person on the service list in Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.T.E. 06-5 (2006).

All written comments should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and John.Geary@state.ma.us, or (2) on a 3.5" disk. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 06-5), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., "Comments"). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. All comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Web site: <http://www.mass.gov/dte/>.

A copy of MECo's supplemental filing is available for inspection at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, during normal business hours (Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Copies are also on file for public viewing at the offices of the Company, 25 Research Drive, Westborough, Massachusetts. Any person desiring further information regarding the Company's filing should contact its counsel, Amy G. Rabinowitz, Massachusetts Electric Company at (508) 389-2975. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact John J. Geary, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy at (617) 305-3500.



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Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company (together, "MECo" or "Company") shall serve the attached Notice of Supplemental Filing and Request for Comments on or before Thursday, August 10, 2006, on the service list in Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.T.E. 06-5 (2006), and to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Company. MECo is required to make return of service at the conclusion of the comment period.

By Order of the Department,

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary